

# Minutes for Mills Haven School Council

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## Call to Order

A School Council meeting of Mills Haven Elementary was held on May 22 ,2019 at Mills Haven Elementary Library. It began at 6:04pm and was presided over by Sherry J School Council Chair, with Becky M School Council Secretary taking the minutes.

## Attendees

Becky M.	Michael S	Don I
Keri B	Laura G	Karen W
Sivanthy S	Mike G	Lisa H
Conny L	Jodi S	Jessica A
Sherry J	Garry R	Charlene W
Tanya L	Jodi S	Sabine S
Anna M	Ashley S	Esra S
Ashley S	Sarah G	Laura D
Erin F	Pia J	Celeste B
Chandra C	Stephanie P	

## Approval of Minutes

No Changes

- A motion to approve the minutes of the minutes from April 10<sup>h</sup>, 2019 meeting was made by Anna M and seconded by Sivanthy S

## Additions to the Agenda

No

## School Report

Garry Russel, Principal, provided school report.

- a. Kindergarten Open House- June 4
  - This year starting the Orientation in the gym and then allowing parents to tour kindergarten rooms.
- b. Viewing New German Culture Curriculum
  - June 4<sup>th</sup> at 7pm following Kindergarten Orientation.
  - Norman will be presenting.
- c. Parent Survey
  - Garry presented Parent Survey results.
  - Overall, results are positive with a few areas to work on.
- d. Staffing

- Schools have been directed to lower staffing to 95% to be able to maintain 5% operating budgets
- Mills Haven will have to surplus 1 teacher and 1 EA.
- Kindergarten Numbers are healthy
- German Bilingual classes will be split classes to maintain healthy class numbers
- Regular program will have a 1/2 split

## School Trustee Report

School Trustee report was presented by Don Iverson

April Report

- a) Trustees toured various schools in district
- b) Andrew School Consultations
  - a. March 18 Trustees met with students to initiate group discussions on bussing and programs
- c) Alberta School Board Association (ASBA) held a zone 2/3 meeting on March 15 to discuss Cellphone use in classrooms and the new curriculum.
- d) Financial Projections:
  - a. EIPS is projecting a decrease in operating reserves. The Board will be monitoring fiscal management in the new school year
- e) The Board approved grandfathering for the grade 6 Campletown students
- f) Personal device use in schools was passed today, May 22, 2019. Don will forward the approved information to Garry.

## ASCA Presentation

Celeste Burdinsky was present at the meeting to explain the roles of School Councils and Fundraising Societies.

- a) School can only have one fundraising body in the school participating in Casinos. Mills Haven will now only have MHSSSES working with AGLC
- b) Esra S asked how the German events will funded. Laura D asked if MHSSSES is prepared to fund events. Executive agreed some funds would be provided to School Council Cultural committees to run events.

## Secretary Report

Becky M presented New Policies and Procedures for School Council.

- a) Becky M explained how it had been brought to School Council's attention that the current bylaws were no longer effective and hadn't been so since 2007 when MHSSSES came into effect. The fundraising society holds bylaws that are filed with the Province to govern the executive and properly control funds raised. School Councils now only need Policies and procedures to govern the group.
- b) Becky M presented the New Policies and Procedures. All Council members present worked through new documents and approved Policies and Procedures for Mills Haven School Council that will take effect immediately.

## Treasurers Report

Treasurer's Report is presented by Jodi S, Treasurer.

**School Council End of April 2019 Account Balance: \$4000.89**

- a) Jodi S informed all present that this account was no longer needed because all funds can run through MHSSSES. Jodi and Sherry will be closing this account and moving all funds to MHSSSES account.

Becky M motioned to accept Jodi's School Council April Treasurer Report.

**GBA Report**

GBA Report presented by Sarah, G

- a) A meeting was held at the County Library on May 21,2019 to discuss the operating changes to the German Bilingual Association. The new name will be the German Language Association
- b) The Association will pursue investigation in Charter Schools
- c) Sarah stated the Association does not feel conflict with School Council and is asking for mediation with Administration.

**Chair Report**

Chair Report was presented by Sherry M.

- a. Summer Sizzler
  - Due to changes in Council and hectic schedules, Council will not be pursuing a committee for a end of year event
- b. Carnival Volunteers are needed
- c. Pancake Breakfast: 3 Volunteers needed May 31. 8-11am

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Sherry J announced the School Council AGM will take place on Tuesday, September 10 at 6pm in the school library.

Sherry J. moved that the meeting be adjourned, and this was agreed upon at 8:34pm.



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Secretary  
Mills Haven School Council

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Date of Approval